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This is the Complete List of Killed, Wounded and Missing Sustained By Generals White and Buller.

13 CANADIANS KILLED, 25 WOUNDED

Five Died of Wounds Since the First Account. This is the Complete Returns Up to this Afternoon of the Result of their Noble Charge on Cronje's Army.

Special to THE MINER

TORONTO, March 2.—Frederick Hamilton, correspondent of the Globe in South Africa, wires from Modder river, March 1, as follows: "It is admitted on all sides that the attack made on the enemy's trenches by the Royal Canadians helped materially to force the surrender of Cronje. The whole regiment did splendidly, but G and H Companies excelled all others in the work of building advanced trenches under a heavy fire. Their casualties as a consequence bear a heavy proportion to the total.

After Cronje surrendered, Lord Roberts addressed the troops and in a special manner complimented the Canadians on the splendid share they had borne in the achievement of the victory.

The casualties sustained by the Roy. Canadians were as follows:

KILLED.

Toronto men, C Company

F. C. Page, Governor-General's Body

Guard.

gunshot wound in face, at hospital Modder river, G McCallum, wounded.

Sir Alfred Milner further says that his private secretary yesterday paid a visit to Major Pelletier at the hospital at Winberberg, where he suffers from a sunstroke, but is progressing satisfactorily. Lieut. Mason is also improving.

The Cost of Ladysmith.

TORONTO, March 2.—Special cables to morning papers deal considerably with the cost of the relief of Ladysmith to the British forces. One dispatch says that the tabulating of the British losses consequent upon the one hundred and eighteen days of the siege shows that White's loss in killed and wounded in battle was 1,580, and captured 1,079. Total loss of White 2,659.

Buller's loss in killed and wounded was 3,548, captured 753. Buller's total loss, 4,261.

The total loss therefore sustained by the combined forces of White and Buller was 6,912 men, in the actual fight of Ladysmith.

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viewing casualty lists, see being ob-

Cronje Sent to Cape Town.

LONDON, March 1. The War Office has received the following dispatch from Lord Roberts, "Paardeberg, Wednesday, Feb. 28, Cronje with his family left here yesterday in charge of Major-General Pretorius, and under the escort of the city Imperial volunteers and Mounted Infantry. Later in the day the remaining prisoners went in charge of the Earl of Erroll and escorted by Gloucesters and a hundred Imperial volunteers. The women and children were sent to their homes. I understand that great dissatisfaction is felt by the Boers at Cronje's refusal to accept my offer of safe conduct to women and children and medical care for his wounded, 170 of whom are now in our hospital. Very many of them are in terrible shape for want of proper care at an earlier stage. I inspected Boers' hospital yesterday and was much struck by the ingenuity of the enemy with which their position was made almost impregnable to assault."

Total Loss to Date 12,834.

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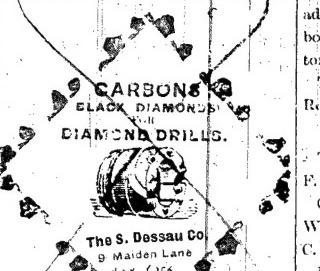
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Killed.

1. Toronto men, C Company —
F. C. Page, Governor-General's Body Guard.

W. C. Brady, 43rd Battalion.

C. L. Thomas, Governor-General's Body Guard.

F. J. Loving, 43rd Battalion, Ottawa.
Montreal men —

F. Wasdell, 3rd Victoria Rifles.
Quebec men —

B. Whitfield, Royal Canadian Artillery.
A. G. Orman, 43rd Battalion.

A. Roy, 65th Battalion.
Maritime Provinces, G and H Companies —

F. L. Withers, Royal Canadian Artillery.

Pte. Warrings, Charlottetown Engineers.

B. Scott, R. C. R. I.

J. M. Johnston, 62nd Battalion.

In the above list of dead, Brady Living, Thomas, Wasdell and Roy died of wounds received in the final action on Tuesday morning.

Wounded.

Lieut.-Col. Pelletier, staff officer, slightly.

W. C. Allen, Queen's Own Rifles.

J. W. Vickers, 10th Royal Grenadiers.

Pte. W. Coggins, of Brampton, 31st Battalion, Grey.

Pte. N. Gray, Sault Ste Marie Rifles.

Ottawa men, D Company —

C. Holland, 16th Prince Edward Battalion.

J. T. McConnell, Governor-General's Foot.

G. O. L. Hale, 15th A. L. I.

Bugler Smith.

Montreal men, E Company —

P. E. Pepell, R. I.

J. E. McDonald, 3rd Battalion.

A. Beagot, 63rd Mounted Royal Rifles.

S. Proulx, 63rd Mounted Royal Rifles.

R. Harrison, M. G. A. or C. H. Harttison, 2nd R. C. A.

A. Sutherland, civilian.

Matheson, 2nd Field Battery.

Sick List.

OTTAWA, March 2. — Sir Alfred Milner cables this morning to the Governor-General as follows:

CAPETOWN, March 2. — The following men are seriously ill at the hospital from Enteric fever: C. Finch G. B. Corporal J. Grant, Corp. Lowman,

and wounded in battle was 1,580, and captured 1,070. Total loss of White, 2,630.

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Winston Churchill sends an interesting account in which he says that during the afternoon of the 28th the cavalry brigade pressed forward from Murdoch toward Bulwana Hill, under Dundonald in the direction of Ladysmith. The Boers fired on the advancing troops from artillery stationed on Bulwana Hill.

About four pm Major Gough's regiment, which was in advance, found the ridges surrounded and concealing Ladysmith were apparently unoccupied. He reported this to Dundonald, who hereupon determined to ride through the gap and reach the town with two squadrons of Imperial light horse and carbineers. The rest of the brigade was sent back to Buller's picket line. When we started for Ladysmith there was only an hour of daylight left.

(From yesterday's special edition)

LONDON, March 1. — The War Office has received the following dispatch from Gen. Buller:

Lyttleton's Headquarters, March 1. — Gen. Dundonald with the Natal Carbineers and a composite regiment entered Ladysmith last night. The country between us and Ladysmith is reported clear of the enemy. I am moving on Nelspruit.

The attack began Wednesday week on the British left toward Grobler's Kloof and was continued by the Lancashire brigade Thursday from Onderbrook Spruit. When the Onderbrook positions had been taken, lost and recaptured, Buller decided that it was impractical to turn or capture Grobler's Kloof and ordered Uxbridge's brigade to attack Friday Railway Hill on the ridge at Pieter's station. This was done under a heavy fire and the trenches taken.

Buller convinced himself Saturday that the passage of Langverwacht Spruit could not be made by a frontal attack on the entrenchments and across the Tugela Sunday and Monday recalled the battalions from the positions which they had stormed and took up the pontoon bridge two miles from Pieter's station.

The bridge was relaid Monday night five miles lower down the Tugela and on Tuesday Barton's 2 batteries with the Dublin Fusiliers crept down the river ascended cliff

safe conduct to women and children and medical care for his wounded, 170 of whom are now in our hospital. Very many of them are in terrible shape for want of proper care at an earlier stage. I inspected Boers larger yesterday and was much struck by the ingenuity of the enemy with which their position was made almost impregnable to assault.

Total Loss to Date 12,834.

LONDON, Feb. 28th. — The rapidly growing casualty lists are being classified as quickly as possible. They show that up to this morning the total number of casualties was 12,834, of which 2,629 were added during the last fortnight. Ten of the 11 Scotch Regiments lost about 2,050 men, and eight of the Irish Regiments, 2,000.

To Ladysmith by Railway.

LONDON, March 1. — General Buller reported British losses as being kept down by the admirable management of artillery, and that he took 60 prisoners.

He had clearly broken through the Boer lines of defence and was in a position for marching toward Ladysmith along the line of railway with the enemy still in considerable force at Bulwana mountain.

Gen. Buller is all Right.

LONDON, Feb. 28. — General Buller's operations have been clearly explained in press dispatches, and in a highly encouraging bulletin, which was posted at the war office yesterday. He had cleared the southern bank of the Tugela by February 21, and had occupied Colenso and Fort Wylie. The enemy's position was a long horseshoe, beginning at Grobler's Kloof running along Langverwacht Spruit to the railway south of Pieter's station, and curving backward to Bulwana mountain, near Ladysmith.

Carmel School Entertainment.

The entertainment on Monday evening given in aid of St. Joseph's Academy was unique. The opera house filled, and the pupils excelled themselves, which testified to the ability of their teachers.

The calisthenic exercises were more than good, as also were the duets on two pianos and Solos of St. Cloud. Mrs. Sigurdson was in good voice and Mrs. Rogers sang well. But the little ones deserve special mention, particularly in their dancing. Sir Roger de Clowry. They lay the down, the boys.

BOOM IN STURGEON RIVER.

THE undersigned will pay to delivery in New York City for Mr. Wm. Haaker, 50 North Moore Street, New York, U.S.A.

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HOW THE PLACE WAS SPARED BY THE DE BEERS CONSOLIDATED CO. AND 2,000 SOLDIERS.

The town of Kimberley, which has been besieged by the Boers since October 15, is the capital of the great diamond district of South Africa, lying near the western border of the Orange Free State. It is 547 miles by rail from Cape Town and 455 miles from Port Elizabeth. Diamonds were first discovered here in 1870, at which time the place was nothing but a Kaffir kraal. A fine stone had been picked up by a Hottentot and sold for a trifle to a white man living not far away. He, not knowing its value, parted with it at a small advance and eventually, without anyone suspecting its value, it reached London, where a famous jewellery firm passed upon its excellence and purity. The story got wind and the result was a speedy emigration to South Africa. This began during 1871, and it is estimated that since that time stones to the value of twenty-two millions sterling have been taken out. The total number of diggers employed at the various mines is estimated at 15,000 persons, a large proportion being blacks. The town of Kimberley has a population of 30,000, of which about 11,000 are whites containing a small proportion of Dutch among them. It is a well-built city, with spacious streets, broad boulevards, church and public buildings, a fine theatre, court, hospital and library. Several native couples of newspapers and botanical gardens. During the last few years the various mining companies consolidated into the De Beers Consolidated, mainly, it is understood, through the influence of Cecil Rhodes, who is heavily interested in the diamond mines, from which he has amassed great wealth. This mining company, when threatened, undertook the defense of the town, and apparently did it well. Cecil Rhodes, who left a safe place in Cape Town on the outbreak of the

cavalry leader, who first touched hands with Col. Kitchener and Cecil Rhodes, has been most successful in almost the whole of his operations during the war. It was he who won the battle of Elandslaagte, the leading victory of the campaign, in Natal; if we except the driving of the Boers from the Ladysmith trenches, when they ventured to take the offensive. He escaped from Ladysmith on the last train from that place under a heavy shell fire, and took charge of the cavalry operations in the Colenso region. One serious disaster to several companies, however, Suffolk's incurred his career because from this he had done excellently work and drove the Boers from N. and Roode banks, Colenso, with his body threatening capture when he was sent by Field Roberts on his present expedition.

The Empire's Protection.

Victoria Times: The war in South Africa has one thing at least quite apparent: that some common action must be taken for the defense of the British Empire. The present system, if there be any system, is utterly lacking in every essential means whereby in time of danger the resources of the nation can be brought to bear against a common enemy. The steps which are necessary for the accomplishment of this great end will have to be decided upon by the military chiefs of the country, but the defects which at present exist are perfectly plain to all. The people of Canada, or of Great Britain, for that matter, do not in time of peace prepare for war; that is, they do not make adequate preparation. Under our system of government the reason of this is not far to seek. Our statesmen are directly responsible to the people, who, when a programme containing proposals for large expenditures for defensive purposes is laid before them are prone to condemn the proposed outlay as extravagant and unnecessary. In very few other nations of the world are such stringent constitutional checks imposed on rulers, therefore the objections advanced to the military leaders' measures are not so great. The time appears to have arrived when the colonies should unite with the mother country in defense, and a scheme for the defense of the Empire as a whole. A suggestion has been made that the question should be taken entirely out of the hands of politicians and handed over to an Imperial council, which would, of course, be quite removed from the narrow vision of party and could view the long range of the left in confidence of other like-minded men. One advantage of this would be that the members of the council would be bound by a strict code of honor, and that they become useless, perhaps, when created, and will probably remain in their seats devoid of ambition and power.

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WHY DO WE DO IT?

Some of Our Familiar Customs and Their Ancient Origin.

It is curious at how many of little customs we have, knowing the reason.

Why do widows wear black? We could say because of the ancient purity and interest of the reason; that when the King of England they shaved her as a sign of mourning. Of course women couldn't let herself be with bald head, so she made herself a cap. And now, though the King is dead, it has passed away.

Why do we have bows on the left side? In old times when we went to the open air and hats were not in use for half a dozen years, the hand to hold around the crown, so the ends fall on the left side, to hang down in the lining of a cap. They remain on the left hand, the reason being that a woman's right hand is always occupied with the care of the house, and the left hand is free to hold the child, the left hand is the child's hand, and the left hand is the hand of the woman, and so on, they became useless, perhaps, when created, and will probably remain in their seats devoid of ambition and power.

The Detroit News sympathetically and beautifully says: Those of us who scan with anxious eyes the casualty lists which General Otis sends so often from Manila, and those who have ceased to watch because they have already learned the worst, will find a new sense of kinship with their neighbors across the border in the sad regard which to-day's calls bring from the Modder river, where nineteen members of the Canadian contingent in the South African army and sixty-one wounded in Sunday's fighting. For the moment there will be neither Boer nor British sympathizers. While we are marking fresh graves daily we come very near to those whose brothers, sons, husbands, sweethearts and friends have fallen on the veldt. They went because they loved their country and their flag, just as our own boys have gone to another far corner of the earth, and the cause for which a brave man fought goes out of mind when the sod is being turned for his resting place. There is a crape on our neighbor's door, and the sound of mourning is in our house. We shake hands silently, and there is no warmth and meaning in the grip.

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In speaking of the mining laws and titles in Australia, Prof. Cribah Dudley of the New South Wales School of Mines says:

"As to our mining titles in Australia for gold leases, a summary of the practices of the various colonies is as follows: The government grants, through the Department of Mines, mining leases of crown lands available according to the mining regulations, which provide that in each and every case the ground applicant must be specifically pegged out in some approximate square form by inserting solidly into the ground at each angle a post not less than 12 inches in diameter and not less than 4 feet high to mark the boundaries, and one of the posts is to be called the datum peg. At the foot of each peg a trench not less than six inches wide and deep and three feet long is to be clearly cut in the direction of all the boundary lines. On the datum peg at the time is then to be placed a clear notice, in form showing the acreage of the land application, name of applicant, and date of pegging; the applicant, at the same time, posting a similar notice at the local district mining warden's office, and also making his formal written application for the ground, with a full description, and the statement of what he intends to mine for, to the warden's stock or mining register." The public or other objectors, if any, then have a fortnight or more in which to lodge formal complaints or objections to the granting, during which time the applicant pays the first year's annual acreage rent, generally five shillings per acre, and also the survey fee, never less than £5. The government mining surveyor of the mines' department then gets official instructions to survey the ground claimed without delay, and in his declared plan and report of the survey in duplicate, for the direct and immediate and future use of the

lode or reef mining, but in the other metals greater areas are allowed per man or more lenient labor conditions. In the lease papers issued it is shown that all mineral that you have declared your intention to mine for in your application, within the vertical limits of all the boundaries, belong to the grantee. There is, therefore, no possibility of leases overlapping each other, and no extra rights are provided for."

Mr. Geo. Mooring, who has been on a trip to New York and other eastern cities, returned yesterday. Mr. Mooring informs us that while in the east he severed his connection with the Manufacturers' Life Insurance Co., of Toronto, to take a much more important position with another company. George is now inspector for the Dominion of the Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States. Mr. Mooring will be leaving again in a few days for Toronto to take up the duties of his position.—Port Arthur Chronicle.

VALE!

Hero and friend, the long journey was easily passing.

Forget the offering on thy soldier's bier,
Or any wreath, as shell and bugle flying;

Strike out the requiem of thy doomed career,

No any wreath, of laurel or immortals,

Needst thou. The glory we ride on only won
As the brave breed opposed Death's dry port.

Deck well enough his country's or wedson,
Yet at thy corpse, by command, I do con-

demned.
Here meets the earth, a simple resting here,
Hero and friend, is still by far a poor old—

The stealthy tribute of a stern sea.

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Why Time Flies.
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What's new what's best,
Et cetera like the weather,
Et cetera like the moon.

Papa sez "at time is flies,
Don't sit on time, it's flies,"
But me I don't care what's time,
I like to sit on time in my hand.

Mamma sez "Now watch the clock,
When it goes 'tis twelve o'clock,"
Time for little girls to sleep,
"Cuz on it's awfully late."

Gampa sez "at hours make up,"
An days make up the year,
Summer's got to run away,
When the winter's here.

An gamma sez she's kind of old,
And she's day past her prime,
Some day she will kiss me all
As say a las' goodby.

Seems to me the trouble is,
At baughty check up,
Et it'd stop its ticking.

MYSTERIOUS OCCURRENCE.

The Remarkable Alpine Experience of a King's Messenger.

At a critical moment of international complication which occurred a good many years ago it was found necessary to send a king's messenger across one of the Alpine passes charged with dispatches the importance of which was so great that they practically involved the issue of peace or war. It was in the depth of winter, and in those days, even under the most ordinary circumstances, a journey across Europe meant no trifling undertaking. The first part of the journey was safely accomplished in postchaise as far as the foot of the pass, where a transfer to a sleigh was necessary. Here, on inquiring at the posting inn for horses and a sleigh, the messenger found to his dismay that none was to be had. "Impossible, monsieur, to go forward this night." Toward evening, however, a private carriage arrived, occupied by one traveler, with a sleigh, several spare horses and plenty of servants—evidently the equipage of a personage of distinction. The traveler halted at the posting inn and after a short parley determined to enter and have dinner, the journey across the pass to be continued at nightfall, when a clear moon might be expected.

Under these circumstances the king's messenger and the other travelers naturally dined together and entered into friendly conversation, with the result that an offer of a place in the traveler's sleigh was gladly accepted by the former. At nightfall the journey across the pass was commenced, the messenger carrying in his hand a small dispatch box containing his dispatches. The route wound up and over the mountain side, all being soon covered deep in snow. The horses seemed fresh and high minded and were urged at full speed by the driver. Suddenly, at a turn of the road, a man jumped out from a rock. The horses seemed to shy, and in less time than it takes to tell the sleigh was rolling over and over in the snow, with its occupants' tossed hither and thither. Some moments elapsed before the half stunned messenger came to his senses, and when he did so the first thing which struck his astonished eyes was the sharp tearing back down the pass at breakneck speed. No human being was to be seen beside him, his late companions, and worse still, his bag of dispatches, which had escaped from his grasp in the tumble, having vanished like magic. Nothing remained but to plod weary through the snow back to the inn, where that he could ascertain was that the strange traveler was unknown to the land, and that he had returned by the same road and had come with his own horses, except that there had been an accident. Now of the mysterious traveler not a trace of his patches was ever traced, nor was the history of the adventure ever come to light up to the present day.—Quarterly, 1873.

MONKEY AND MIRROR.

I saw a performing monkey the other day. He went through many tricks very successfully. Towards the end of the performance he was ordered to put on his cocked hat before a hand mirror, which he did. He was next told to set it straight, and he tried on his general's headgear repeatedly at different angles, causing much laughter. When all was over and the organ man, his helpers and the two monkeys were preparing to depart, I saw that "the general" had possessed himself of the little mirror and was studying his own countenance with great delight! He had placed the glass on top of the barrel organ, and he bent over it again and again, gazing energetically. He then took his cocked hat off his

head and covered with small scales, sometimes larger over the eyes or nose. (7) Eyes with vertical pupils like a cat's. (8) Two pits or holes between the eyes and nose, suggesting four nostrils. (9) Two long, snouted, perforated fangs in the upper jaw just in front of the eye, one on either side, and so hinged that they lie backward, hidden from view in a membranous sheath, but erectile at will.

Some of the first seven peculiarities may be found in harmless snakes, but it is only in the vipers that they are noted.

Other . . .

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Along the practical evils coming from the desire to escape the drudgery of manual labor is the overcrowding of the places where the manual labor is light, the growth of the military spirit among men who think it more honorable to fight than to work and the increase of that army of incapable who find no opportunity and prefer to be supported by others rather than to soil their hands or harden their muscles by doing the work which the world offers them to do.

"Carlyle" was right when he said that all the happiness that a true man asks is happiness enough to get his work done.—Christian Register.

CROWING HENS.

The archbishop of Canterbury, in his youth, had some experience as a farmer. Evidently the bishop of London's education, in that respect, was neglected. In the account of one of his speeches of the church congress he is reported as saying:

"There is a certain class of people who are like hens when they have laid an egg. They form their opinion with such difficulty apparently and so boldly that when they have formed one they go and crow to all the world to show that they have done it."

We would respectfully advise the bishop of London to draw an illustration from crowing hens if he should ever be addressing a rural audience.—Westminster Gazette.

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To distinguish between venomous and harmless snakes is easy in practice, but it is difficult to explain in words alone, as there is one external characteristic which distinguishes them. It is rather a peculiar, varying union of many separate marks that brands the dangerous reptiles.

Generally speaking, all snakes may be divided into two great classes—those which have the head covered with numerous small scales and those which have it covered with large, regularly fitted plates. Leaving out the elapidæ and the venomous sea snakes, with which the hunter will have nothing to do, all snakes with small head scales move about by night and those with the large plates on the head by day. This may be known by their eyes, for the first have vertical pupils like the cat's, while those of the latter are generally circular in form. The long, active day snake, gliding about from bush to bush or hurriedly taking refuge beneath some protruding rock or tree stump, is harmless. Even should he lie coiled in the sunshine he will flee from approaching danger. But a serpent nicely coiled in some secluded nook which instead of fleeing gathers himself closer together is most probably dangerous, particularly if he be more or less marked with a suggestion of irregular cross-bars or whitish or dirty yellow and darker brown or blackish. This is the characteristic coloring of our most dangerous snakes, the rattle, the copperhead and the moccasin.

The following points embrace all the peculiarities of our American vipers, and the last two are especially noteworthy as the growing proofs of venom:

- Moving about at dusk or by night, generally on the ground, and very rarely ascending trees or bushes.
- Seldom flying in alarm, but rather coiling for defense.
- Colors generally subdued, in tone, with a semblance of irregular cross-bars of lighter and darker shades.
- Tail short, body stout, neck thin, head flat and very broad, especially behind.
- Scales keeled, each scale has a ridge down the middle, which gives the skin a rough, ice-like rasp.
- Head covered with small scales, sometimes larger over the eyes or nose.
- Eyes with vertical pupils like a cat's.
- Two pits or holes between the eyes and nose, suggesting four nostrils.
- Two long, snouted, perforated fangs in the upper jaw just in front of the eye, one on either side, and so hinged that they lie backward, hidden from view in a membranous sheath, but erectile at will.

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granting during which time the applicant pays the first year's annual acre-rent, generally five shillings per acre, and also the survey fee, never less than £5. The government mining surveyor of the mines' department then gets official instructions to survey the ground claimed without delay and in his declared plan and report of the survey in duplicate, for the direct and immediate and future use of the warden's court, and the minister of mines, in officially dealing with the application, without which no title can be granted; which particulars are incorporated in the lease title deeds when granted and issued. These deeds are in no case granted for more than 20 or 25 years, after which the whole grant reverts to the government, but may be re-leased after that time on terms wholly in accordance with the mining regulations, at the will of the minister of mines.

In the initial case of the fortnight alluded to the application is heard in open warden's court, when the applicant and objectors, if any, are heard, and the warden, if satisfied that the mining regulations have so far been complied with, and everything is in order of the application, reports to the office direct to the minister of mines and recommends that the application for lease be granted. The minister will then have the whole of the case in his order and the papers will be gone into on their merits, the minister being careful to see that there is no infringement on crown or other previous rights granted. If everything is in proper form and correct, a lease is issued. The necessary proceedings take from one month to a month as the case may be.

In the meantime, provided the applicant has no notice from the department that the land is not available for a lease, the applicant must comply with the labor conditions, which conditions vary in the different mines. From one to six men, after a day, must be employed in bona fide prospecting work, for every five acres of ground applied for. If this is done, the lease may not be granted, as the lessee is liable to suffer damages if he fails, but not collusive, bankruptcy of another, or by complaint to the minister of mines, who is the local warden or other, in such a case and a report sent to the minister of the labor conditions, and go into the supposed default of sub-visit and out the report of the inspector the minister may then be forced to make a decision on which decision action is not apposite.

The minister of mines can also examine leases for nonpayment of nominal rental at the usual time, or cancel any lease for noncompliance with the mining regulations. The local warden cannot grant or cancel any leases; he may only recommend, much the same form of procedure applies in taking up areas for other minerals in than gold or gold and silver

't time for little girls to sing,
'Cuz en't its awfu', latte.
G'panza' at hours make days,
An' days make up the year.
Summer's got to run away
When the winter's near.
An' g'panza' stills are old
As this' days pass by.
Some day she will kiss me all
An' say a tas' goodby.

Seems to me the trouble's
At naughty clock up late;
Ef it'd stop it'd taken care
'Ain', no one could care.

Then 'ere oughtn't be no night—
Alliz' could be day;
'Ouldn't have to go to bed;
'Est' could have to play.

'Ouldn't be no winter;
Summer all the year;
An' g'panza' 'ouldn't grow old;
Never'd leave us here.

Wish Iey-wumt envy stocks;
Don't see what 'em cost;
Ef little girls like me, just sit;
'Ey 'ouldn't be no more.

Detroit Free Press

Not the Prevailing Style.

"How do you do, uncle?" said the affable reporter. "I thought I would drop in on the occasion of your one hundredth birthday anniversary and smoke a friendly pipe with you."

"Why?" hesitatingly responded the venerable man. "I know it is dreadfully unconventional for a centurion, but the truth is, young man, I have never learned to smoke."

Then silence reigned for the next five minutes, broken only by the occasional sound of the reporter puffing for breath.—Chicago Tribune.

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Performance he was obliged to put on his cocked hat before a hand mirror, which he did. He was next told to set it straight, and he tried on his general's headgear repeatedly at different angles, causing much laughter. When all was over and the organ man, his helpers and the two monkeys were preparing to depart, I saw that "the general" had possessed himself of the little mirror and was studying his own countenance with great delight! He had placed the glass on top of the barrel organ, and he bent over it again and again, grimacing energetically. He afterward picked up his mirror and contemplated himself earnestly and contentedly at different angles. His face had been profoundly sad, like the faces of most monkeys I have seen, but now the wrinkles smoothed themselves out, and he nearly smiled.—London Standard.

He Lost the Hole.

Ed Tufts of Los Angeles was playing golf with a friend. When he drove from the third teeing ground, he sliced the ball badly and sent it away to one side. It stopped in front of a grazing cow, and Tufts came up just in time to see it disappear into the bovine mouth. When his opponent had made his stroke, Tufts unthatched the cow and, with many sounding thwacks of his club, drove the beast to the third hole. There he made his disgorge the ball and, neatly holing it, announced that he had made the hole in two strokes. His opponent calmly finished the hole in seven and claimed the hole.

"But I made it in two," protested Tufts gleefully.

"No, you didn't," declared the other. "You made it in 33. You hit that cow 37 times, for I counted every stroke," and Tufts conceded the hole.—San Francisco Argonaut.

Family Peacemakers.

More family troubles are adjusted by the magistrates in this city than the average person would willingly believe. There is hardly a day passes that every member of the minor judiciary is not called upon by a determined husband or wife, usually the latter, to issue a warrant. Nine cases out of ten the applicant is considerably excited and is eager to invoke the aid of the law in settling some trifling controversy. By calm argument and assurances the visitor can usually be persuaded to give the offender of her or his peace and happiness another chance, and a home is perhaps saved from being broken up.—Philadelphia Call.

His Opportunity.

"An operation for appendicitis," the surgeon assured the sufferer, "is rather a serious thing, of course, but it is not necessarily an alarming one, and it will demonstrate, moreover, just how much fortitude you have."

"Yes," replied the patient; "I suppose it will show just what's in me. Go ahead!"—Chicago Tribune.

Picking Out the Waiters.

The safest plan to pursue at a reception where the waiters and male guests are clad in swallow-tails is to jam your hands into your trouser pockets and jingle a few coins when you meet a stranger. If his eyes begin to bulge and his hand commences to travel toward you, he's a waiter. This is a straight tip.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

A Blackmailer.

Tommy—I bought this dog to make money out of him.

His Sister's Beau—How is that?

Tommy—I expect you to give me 10 cents for tyin' him up ever' time he comes to see sister. He's awful savage.—Ohio State Journal.

have done it."

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PALE AND LANGUID.

THE CONDITION OF VERY MANY YOUNG GIRLS IN CANADA.

They are Subject to Headaches, Heart Trouble, and an Indisposition to Exercise—Parents Should Act Promptly in Such Cases.

Miss Alma Gauthier, daughter of Mr. Adelard Gauthier, proprietor of a well known hotel at Three Rivers, Que., enjoys a wide popularity among her young friends, and they have recently had occasion to rejoice at her restoration to health after a serious illness. When a reporter called to ascertain the facts of the case Miss Gauthier was out of the city on a visit, but her father very gladly consented to give the story of her cure. He said: "I believe that had it not been for Dr. Williams' Pink Pills my daughter Alma might now have been in her grave, and I would be disgraced if I did not appear to be serious, and we thought it she would soon regain her accustomed health." As time went on, however, this proved not to be the case. She grew weaker, was troubled with headaches, poor appetite, dizziness and a feeling of almost constant languor. She was treated by a good doctor, but still there was no improvement. She seemed to be gradually fading away. If she walked up stairs she would have to stop several times to rest on the way. She lost all her color and her face was white almost as chalk. He trouble was clearly that which afflicts so many young women entering womanhood, and we feared it would develop into consumption. One day a friend of the family urged her to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and she consented, and produced a couple of boxes. Before they were quite gone there was a slight improvement in her appetite and we looked upon this as a hopeful sign. Another half dozen boxes were produced, and under their use she day by day acquired new strength and new interest in life. She is now as healthy a girl as there is in Three Rivers, with every trace of her pallor and languor gone. This is entirely due to Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and I am rejoiced to be able to say so publicly."

The case of Miss Gauthier certainly carries with it a lesson to other parents whose daughters may be pale, languid, easily tired, or subject to headaches, or other distressing symptoms that mark the onward progress of anaemia. In cases of this kind Dr. Williams' Pink Pills will give more certain and speedy results than any other medicine. They act promptly and directly, making new, rich red blood, and strengthen the nerves; and correct all the irregularities incident to this critical period.

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How She "Guides" Them.

There is a jolly mother in Brooklyn who has several grown up sons boarding at home with her, and they declare she wants to "boss" them all the time just as if they were children. She laughingly repudiates their charge and declares that she merely wishes to advise and guide them, but has long ago ceased to rule them. Here is an example of the way she "guides" them: At dinner the night a big meal pie and a small roast duck were brought on together. The duck was intended for the father principally. The boys were death on duck, their mother well knew, but it would not make a mouthful apiece for them; so, addressing the boy who sat nearest her, she said, "Which will you have, Bobbie duck or pie?" and at once began cutting the pie.

"Duck," said Bobbie promptly.
"No, Bobbie," answered his mother cheerfully, "you can't have duck, dear. Take your choice, my son, take your choice, but you can't have duck!"—New York Tribune.

New Zealand Oddities.

The crow in New Zealand strikes as sweet a note as any heard in the woodland, says Henry D. Lloyd in The Atlantic. The robin has no song and no red breast; the native hen is the greatest of rat killers; there is a caterpillar which turns into plant. These and some other productions of nature have done for New Zealand what the kangaroo and the ornithorynchus have done for Australia—given it the suggestion of oddity and the marvelous. Rabbits and sweethearts, introduced for pleasure, spread like wildfire, and it is an attraction to be duly advertised in the side of land that it has been cleared of sweethearts and fenced against rabbits, and then later the rabbit becomes a profit instead of a pest and is exported by millions to feed the English.

Amateur Photography.

Let me call attention to one of the most universally popular mistakes that have to do with photography—that of classing supposedly excellent work as professional and using the term amateur to convey the idea of immature production and to excuse atrociously poor photographs. As a matter of fact nearly all the greatest work is being and has always been done by those who are following photography for the love of it, and not merely for financial reasons. As the name implies, an amateur is one who works for love, and viewed in this light the incorrectness of the popular classification is readily apparent.—Alfred Stieglitz in Scribner's.

Minnesota's First Book.

The Rev. S. W. Dickinson, an agent for the American Bible society, says that the first book printed in Minnesota was a Bible. It was printed in 1856, about 13 years before the first issue of a newspaper in St. Paul. The Bible was in the Ojibway language and was printed on the mission press at Lake Pokegama, Pipe county, under the supervision of Rev. Mr. Ayer, who likewise had charge of the mission farm.

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ONTARIO VS. TRANSVAAL

The spirit which has been made Canadianly around the British flag in South Africa, should, at the close of the war, react and give to Canada an added interest in British minds.

Right though the South African gold fields are and valuable though the results of the war may prove to British capitalists, one cannot fail to see that, while their investments in the Transvaal have been made under all kinds of disabilities, and subject to every annoying tax, that official interference thought fit to impose, right here, in a loyal British colony, gold can be mined as profitably as in the Transvaal. We will not take toll of their output in order to arm ourselves against the old country, we have no dynamite monopoly, and if a vote is what the British capitalist wants, he can qualify himself as an elector by a few months residence in the Rainy River district.

The gold miners of Ontario will on the opinion of a competent authority become a dominant factor in the gold production of the world, and certainly those who have prospected in various gold fields, unite in asserting that surface indications Ontario takes the lead of everything.

Had the same capital been invested here 15 years ago that was invested in the Johannesburg mines, there is little doubt that we should have by this time had a population of mining kings and cities like Johannesburg.

It would almost seem that capital, instead of flowing into the easiest channels, seeks investment where the disabilities are the greatest, and the difficulties to be overcome are the most evident. Otherwise how can we account for the fact that money is invested in practically hostile lands, and loyal British colonists are left to work out their own salvation as best they may.

Canada has contributed unpertaining to the defence of the empire in time of war, in time of peace she should have the opportunity of adding us greatly to our strength.

present folder not only contains a good map of the Nome district but is embellished with several cuts of views at Nome City and on the beach where the method of mining is clearly shown. All information obtainable regarding sailing dates from Seattle and Tacoma, through rates, etc., is given in this book and the public cautioned to go to the agents of Northern Pacific Railway, who are supplied with diagrams of the Alaska steamers, and arrange in advance for their accommodations rather than to get off this very important business until they reach Puget sound. There is no doubt but that there will be a very considerable passenger business from the middle and eastern states and a very heavy business from the Pacific coast states to the Nome district next spring.

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THE NEWS FROM KEEWATIN.

Miss Mather and her brother Jack left for Ottawa on Tuesday's train. Jack has been transferred to the bank in that city.

Geo. H. Kelly made a business trip to Portage la Prairie this week.

Captain Lewis has returned from his eastern trip.

Miss Beattie left for Collingwood Tuesday.

Mr. Dick Fisher is endeavoring to get up a committee aid of the Canadian Patriotic Fund. Dick is a hustler, and we are sure we will have no trouble in arranging the same. Keewatinites are overflowing with patriotism these days.

A sleigh load of our prominent young people attended the rink at Rat Portage Tuesday evening. They spent a good time and a good skate.

John S. Stinson of the Lake of the Woods Milling Co. left Sunday for Winnipeg.

The hockey match between the flour mill team and the club house Monday evening resulted in a win for the former by a score of 5 to 3. When time was up the score was even, but five minutes more play was agreed upon, and during that short space the mill team managed to register two goals. The rink was crowded with spectators who seemed to thoroughly enjoy themselves. The game was closely contested, and it will now be in order for the flour boys to get a pretty little badge printed and hand some around to their lady friends. There is talk of another match in the near future.

Hann Echlin is sporting a black eye. He ran against a snowball man Monday during the match.

The Devil in a Blizzard.

Down in a place of which they tell A place the preachers all call hell. They sent a fellow, once so bad, That with the direst things they had They could not make him twist or squirm.

Nay, even the undying worm, The surest card in all the pack Was water on this wild ducks back. In vain the infernal furnace blazed; The devil's imp stood more amazed; Old Nick, he jumped about and swore. For he had never been beat before. Just then, an imp, a stranger spoke A cross between a growl and croak Said he, the place that gave me birth Where I have just come from on the earth.

Has got a little gentle wind. He paused a moment and smiled and grinned. When soon would fetch that chap to him.

Or else my word's not worth a dime, The devil curled his tail and thought Has all my power then come to nought Can punishment be found as severe As this which I am using here?

If this is true of which you tell I soon will have it here in hell. So packing up his travelling suits Out of the tiny gates he shoots. And being quite a modern swell He proceeds to a Winnipeg hotel. The fiend was much delighted there T'was such a homelike atmosphere. Said he, I like it awful well.

It seems to me so tough like hell. But pleasure, as we sometimes say Unto business must give way, And when the wind began to roar The Devil started for the door.

Breathing fire just like a wizzard He sallied forth to meet the blizzard. But alas! he did not know the fate of imps, and men, and devils great Who rush out blindly where they know No decent devil ought to go.

Though Satan's skin was fireproof stuff It was not hardly thick enough To keep the blizzard's freezing breath From making him as cold as death. The blizzard howled till all was blue. The Devil howled, and colder grew, O for a glimpse of my hotel! O for a corner back in hell. But meary comshot at his call Who bears a bitter curse for all. The blizard hoists him on his ear And the Devil shakes with cold and fear.

Ten hurricanes were zephyr's light Compared with the fierce blizzards night. Aw! it drove the snow around.

Swpt the ground and tore the ground. Tatty and pettish, barefoote Would make a Methodist preaching staff.

The Devil noise it 2 scared His leg so very weak and old, No longer can he stand the pain But with crutches on the plain. The Devil noise with fear and figh Saw him in the wind that night.

The wind was so strong he can lay In misery for many a day. Then sinking down into his pit He found he could not stand nor sit.

His hair was gone, and with a wan Gaze gazed on what was once his tail. His nose was bitten off by frost And tooth of the blizze me beans we

are. If break he heart the geese recognized That awful Mammoth blizzard.

to 3. More to follow.

TAKING THE REINS.
**Sheriff's Sale
OF
LEASEHOLD LANDS.**

UNDER and by virtue of a writ of Vendition Expossum issued out of the District of Rainy River, and to the effect and intent in and to the Goods and Chattels, Lands and Tenements of C. A. Macdonald at the suit of D. W. Douglas, Esq.

Three seized and taken into execution -

1. All the said defendant C. A. Macdonald's estate, right, title and interest of, in and to, an undivided one-half interest in Mining Location leasehold No. 16, T. 17 and N. 18, northeast of Piney Lake, being a tract of land, parcel No. 16, being Leasehold No. 16, and known as the Lands Titles Office at Rat Portage, and known as D. W. Douglas, Esq.

2. All the aforesaid C. A. Macdonald's estate, right, title and interest of, in and to, Mining Location leasehold No. 16, containing 69 acres, and known as Parcel No. 16, in the Lands Titles Office, aforesaid.

3. His interest in Mining Location leasehold H.P. 16, containing 69 acres, and known as Parcel No. 16, in the Lands Titles Office, aforesaid.

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5. All of which I shall offer for sale at my office at the Court House at Rat Portage, in the District of Rainy River, on Thursday, March 29, 1900, at the hour of Eleven o'clock in the forenoon, being the aforesaid C. A. Macdonald's estate, right, title and interest of, in and to, the aforementioned lands, being Mining Lots N.T. 16, 17, 18, H.P. 16, 161 and 162, Sheriff's Office, Rat Portage, 1st March, 1900.

W. H. CARPENTER,
Sheriff, District Rainy River.

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1. All the said defendants A. Morral's, right, title and interest of, in and to, Mining Location leasehold one-third interest of J. O. Brown, known as Leased Land 16, subject to the right of one A. E. Cline and his wife, and his wife, to manage the property in the Land Titles Office, at Rat Portage, in the District of Rainy River.

2. A three-eighths interest in Mining Location leasehold H.P. 16, east of Bad Vermillion Lake, known as leased Land No. 16, subject to an interest in the same by T. H. Guinn, registered in my office in March, 1900, in the Lands Titles Office, aforesaid.

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5. All of which I shall offer for sale at my office at the Court House at Rat Portage, in the District of Rainy River, on Thursday, March 29, 1900, at the hour of Eleven o'clock in the forenoon, being the aforesaid C. A. Macdonald's estate, right, title and interest of, in and to, the aforementioned lands, being Mining Lots N.T. 16, 17, 18, H.P. 16, 161 and 162, Sheriff's Office, Rat Portage, 1st March, 1900.

W. H. CARPENTER,
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Ontario Gold Fields.
**Homestake Gold
Mining Co. of Ontario, Limited.**

is organized under the laws of the State of Minnesota

Capital Stock \$1,250,000

divided into 1,250,000 shares of \$1.00 each fully paid and non-assessable.

750,000 Shares in the Treasury.

competent engineers in the expenditure of our funds.

We can quarry out 1000 tons of this ore and have it treated at the public reduction works as soon as navigation opens, and by this means we can earn enough to buy our own mill, and for this purpose we are now selling **ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND SHARES** of treasury stock at ten cents per share cash or on the following terms: Two cents per share cash down and 1 cent per share per month until paid. This offer subject to advance with out notice.

This Company owns two rich

mineral claims in the Lake of the Woods country, Ontario, amounting to over 100 acres. The vein is considered to be the largest body of free-milling ore ever discovered in any land, its width from 400 to 600 feet and its length over one mile.

No certificates will be issued for a less amount than 500 shares.

We do not expect to be very long in disposing of this issue owing to the very low price at which it is selling. Don't wait too long but send in your order at once if you want any of these shares. If you have any money to invest place it with honest people and buy **SHARES** in the property owned by a good, reliable company.

The original owners of this great property take stock in the Company for the property, and their shares when issued are to be placed in the hands of a reliable trust company to be held by such trust company until this Company has secured a mining and milling plant of 250 tons daily capacity.

On shares are non-assessable and every share entitles the holder to an interest in the property.

The board of Directors who manage the affairs of this Company are as follows:

Cyrus Wellington, Ruford Stewart, John W. Nelson, W. H. Bell, James A. Kelly, Fred J. Rawson, N. C. Westerfield, G. D. Franklin and T. E. Bird, Esq.

C. D. Franklin, president; Fred J. Bowman, Secretary, and Ronald Stewart, Treasurer. Don't take my charles, but invest in this company and succeed.

most evident. Otherwise how can we account for the fact that money is invested in practically hostile lands, and loyal British colonies are left to work out their own salvation as best they may.

Canada has contributed unsparingly to the defense of the empire in time of war; in time of peace she should have the opportunity of adding as greatly to its wealth. —Wabigoon Star.

MONTREAL, Feb. 23.—The Press publishes the following patriotic article: "Six thousand miles from home, there has just been signed, under fire on a field of battle, amidst thunderous bullets, what might be called a covenant of lasting love between the different nationalities which are preparing the future of the Canadian nation. The mounting is great, but the hope is still greater. If one first thought of the heart, is for the bereaved families, the second, coming from reason, goes to our country, which has valor to register in its annals. Those were men, then, that we send them. What could we know about it in the long period of peace with which Canada is favored? The act of war is not learned; it is in the blood. Our men have just proved it. As regards our country, it seems that the roots of a nation will be strengthened in that pure fertilizer extracted from our veins. There is nothing like a common fate, dangers shared, solidarity in glory. We have just sown, side by side, blood in the trenches, through the promised harvest to come; union, good will, friendship between us, for nature has fixed it that life should proceed, from day to day, that continuity of the last shrub in a foreign land, and also the infiniteness of joint existence on Canadian soil without the act of separation and reservations of yesterday.

GOLD PANNER.

Work at This Mine Progressing in an Encouraging Manner

Word was received from the Gold Panner mine today stating that the shaft has now reached a depth of 75 feet and the showing continues fine. The first drift has been started on the 100 foot level, and is now in about 18 feet. Another shaft on the same vein about 100 feet from the present shaft has been pushed to a depth of about 15 feet with excellent results. A complete new hoisting plant is now at the mine which will be immediately utilized. The Gold Panner mine is the one of greatest activity at present.

The Nome Gold Fields.

The first map folder or circular respecting the Klondyke gold strike of 1898 was issued by the Northern Pacific Railway. It is more than a coincidence that the first map folder or pamphlet of the Nome mining district comes from the same source. The

mining management has registered two gold fields. The ring was crowded with spectators who seemed to thoroughly enjoy themselves. The game was closely contested and it will now be in order for the small boys to get a pretty little badge printed and hand some around to their lady friends. There is something of another nature in the near future.

Hum Echlin is playing a black eye. He runs against all the small men Monday during the match.

TAKING THE REINS.

THE NEWS FROM NORMAN.

On Monday evening Misses Wink and A. Greenway, assisted by Misses Nellie and Anti-Greenway, gave a party for their young people. A very nice time was enjoyed.

G. McKee left on Tuesday for a visit to Sault Ste. Marie.

The scholars had a holiday Wednesday.

L. Schmitz left Sunday for Sudbury, Ont.

J. Payette was in town Monday.

To Mr. and Mrs. Cook on Friday, a son.

Mr. and Mrs. Mapleldoram are visiting their daughter, Mrs. Dean.

A Norman in John F. McConnell was in the thick of it on Tuesday, and was one of the men in the attack on Custer's paper. He was one of the first to tie him down, but the wound was not serious and he is reported doing well.

A parlor sofa was sold at the residence of Mrs. L. G. Wednesday night under the auspices of the Methodist Ladies' Aid. The parlor furniture and refreshments were for nature has fixed it that life should proceed, from day to day, that continuity of the last shrub in a foreign land, and also the infiniteness of joint existence on Canadian soil without the act of separation and reservations of yesterday.

Messrs. Kyte, Gardner and Captain Lewis have returned from their trip to Toronto and Ottawa. The representatives of our board of trade.

The mail service was changed right away by the postmaster-general, who understood there were no stations all the way from Wabigoon to Fort Frances.

The mail is now running, or supposed to be running weekly from Wabigoon to Fort Frances and down to Beaver Mills for Fort Frances. After March 26 the Wabigoon service will be discontinued and the mail will leave Rat Portage once a week for Fort Frances.

Hon. Mr. Tarte said in regard to improvements on the Rainy river, that he had consulted the best Canadian and European engineers and had been informed that to complete the locks to give the desired depth would cost at least \$225,000 and that he would recommend the grafting of such a sum to carry the work to completion as soon as possible. The minister of marine and fisheries will recommend improvements asked for on Lake of the Woods, as he is in favor of improving all Canadian waters. At Toronto the commission was informed that the roads would be improved. The Marathon bay portage road and a number of others, especially the Dymont-Whitfield lake route which will meet the needs of a large district. It is likely that this road will be completed this winter. Altogether the gentlemen have done a great deal of good for the country, and the state that they were well received. Mr. Margach was also with the delegation but he returned after visiting Ottawa.

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He broke his heart and froze his glazed That awful Manitoba blizzard.

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J. Shaffer has bought 50 acres from A. H. Bond in Princeton, Calif., and will build a ranch. He will also erect large training barn and some 10 box stalls.

N. B. Wheeler, Cheesecake, Inc., reports a new record of 2237 p. for his pacer Big gelding by French, 2237 p., and that he was tamed in 25 1/2 min. in a race at Charles City, Iowa, over a poor track.

The latest device to encourage high stepping in coach horses is a glass worn goggles, the crystals being so formed that the ground appears nearer than it is. It is said to work all right.

A horse show will be held next year under the auspices of the French government in connection with the Paris exposition. Twelve ploughs, worth \$23,000, will be offered for American harness horses.

Admiral, 2210 p. and Abby Kelly, 2211, are two more new ploughs for Pilot Mountain reported by D. D. Street of Katahdin, Maine, former owner of Peter the Great, 2217 p., the star of the family.

Peter Barry, Pitts, R.R., reports that his studion, Samminger, by Indenture, 2210 p., son of Gold Duke won the 1000 m. for all-breed geldings in September in straight heats, relining his record to 21 1/2 p.

F. D. Spotswood of Harrodsburg, Ky., has a 3-year-old trotting filly by Baron Wilkes, dam by Supremo, that is a speed phenomenon. Oct. 1, after a very brief preparation, she trotted a three-quarter track in 229 and Oct. 24 turned the same track in 215 1/2 last half in 1907.—Horse Review.

THE CENSOR.

The English government has just announced its regular semiannual refusal to pardon Mrs. Maybrick.—Kansas City Journal.

The European nations may finally come to blows in their frantic efforts to get into friendly relations with the United States—St. Louis Republic.

The shooting season in the Adirondacks has closed, and the record shows that 25 men were killed. It is believed that fully as many deer perished.—Washington Post.

When in after years the Transvaal band sets out to immortalize in stirring heroic ballads the deeds of his sires, he stands to be discredited by Pietermaritzburg.—St. Louis Republic.

A Rossville (Kan.) woman died just after filing a suit for divorce. What a warning this should be to other women who are wining beneath the marital bannister!—Denver Post.

Now that a French scientist has invented a successful steering apparatus for airships, all that is needed for the solution of the airship problem is the invention of an airship.—Louisville Courier Journal.

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I shall often bring up Publicity at my

office in the Court House in the Town of Rat Portage in the District of Rainy River, Ontario, on Thursday, March 16, 1900, in the hour of Eleven o'clock in the forenoon.

Shawn's Office, Rat Portage.

At 11 A.M. on Thursday, March 16, 1900,

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Baughman's

"Buyer
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The Best Lumber Book
on the market

\$1 per copy.

Johnson's
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WINNIPEG SPORTS.

They take to Win Better Than to Play Fair.

In the opinion of all fair-minded people the Saturday night's game should have gone to Rat Portage. The Rat Portage timekeeper called time about two minutes before the bell was rung and at that time the Vics shot a game that tied the score. The score then they shot in the play-off and won with was admitted by the Vics themselves to be wide of the mark. However we reproduce the description of the game from the Winnipeg Telegram. It shows how we look away from home, and certainly we ought not to be dispirited by the view taken by the Telegram, which says:

"Among the Rat Portage players

Hooper was clearly the star, his fine dashes drawing much applause from the supporters of both teams; Phillips and McVernie were also good. Dulmage played well and stopped some very hard shots. The score does not clearly indicate the play, as Rat

Portage had the best of things all

this game at half time they were

behind 4 to 2 but when the bell rang

at the end of the first period the Vics had pulled the

score to 4 to 4 and in playing off won

the game by good luck.

Individual play was the characteristic of the

game, the combination of play being suspended by its absence.

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Devils were deserved their victory

as a fine cup to be competed for by the local hockey teams. It is now on exhibition in Riach's windows. When the members of the different teams see the cup they will immediately resolve to have that cup and the result will be that there will be seen some fast and furious hockey to decide its ownership. Now that the Thistle matches are over interest will center more largely in the local games, and it is anticipated that the matches will be well attended as the rivalry will be great. In fact we overheard two members of the same team disputing as to what they would do with the cup when they won it. They finally adjusted it by agreeing to allow each man to keep it awhile. But their contention may be premature.

In addition to the cup for the local teams Mr. Wilson has also provided a cup for skaters. The race will be held shortly and our swiftest man will, barring accidents, get the cup.

Cadski-Damrosch Concert.

The grand concert which will be given in Winnipeg on Thursday evening, March 29th, will be Winnipeg's great musical festival of the year. It is local enterprise that enables Winnipeg to hear a splendid exhibition of a Wagnerian concert by three of the greatest Wagnerian artists, Mme. Gadski; Mr. David Blythman and Mr. Walter Damrosch; assisted by America's leading tenor, Mr. George Hamlin. None of these artists have been heard before in Winnipeg, and a rare musical treat is anticipated.

Mme. Gadski is one of the most versatile artists on the operatic stage today, and it will be most interesting to hear her in roles which her constant association and frequent appearance have made peculiarly her own.

The gems of all, the Wagnerian opera will be given comprising "The Flying Dutchman," "Tannhauser," "Lohengrin."

The concert will take place in the Drill hall on Broadway, which will be comfortably heated, lighted and seated for the occasion.

Special concert rates are being arranged for from all outside points, to allow everyone the opportunity to hear the finest aggregation of artists that has ever been induced to visit Winnipeg. Reserved seats \$2. All information can be obtained by addressing the secretary, Box 187, Winnipeg, Man.

In Aid of the Patriotic Fund.

A very successful entertainment was given by Mrs. D. C. Cameron at her home Lakeside Friday evening in aid of the Patriotic Fund. About 100 invited guests attended. The room was draped with bunting and decorated appropriately. The program comedone by Mr. Longford singing "The Absent-minded Beggar" and violin. A collection of \$80 was taken up. Several large baskets of parcels contributed by the ladies were then brought forward, and Mr. Deacon who made a first-class auctioneer, got to work. The bidding was very animated, and the excitement waxed, in tense as the mysterious parcels might contain anything from a toy whale to a handsome souvenir, were disposed to the highest bidder. The supper was partaken of after which the guests adjourned to the reception room and listened to patriotic songs by Messrs. Rogers, Gurnee, Godwin and Twyfelter Co. to the echo of the old

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With the Mining Public

A block of free gold ore about a foot square, and carrying \$35,000 to the ton, is on exhibition in the windows of a Denver lapidary. It is seamed and streaked in all directions with gold and is estimated to be worth \$1,800. The block came from the Topka mine and is to be shipped to Paris for exhibition at the world's fair. It would be a good idea to send some of our Ontario specimens to Paris.

Another discovery of iron ore has been made on the O. & R. R. railway. The deposit has not yet been explored to any extent, though the samples are said to show a large percentage of iron.

Mr. Chas. Sterling visited the Bally Boy mine last Saturday and found that the machinery lately installed under the supervision of Capt. Jones is working splendidly, and renders development much more rapid.

Mr. Chas. Brent returned yesterday from the Billion mine on Sheld Lake and left today for the Bad mine to supervise the erection of the new mine buildings and to install the new hoisting plant.

Mr. H. F. Higgins, of the Hand Drill Co., returned from the Trojan mine on Saturday. He reports that everything is going smoothly at the mine with excellent results. Two shafts are working with night and day shifts and a crossover has been driven 48 feet and the values shown so far warrant further development.

Mr. Hunter, a brother of Mr. Matt Hunter, was visiting Rat Portage a few days this week.

The Wendigo mine is working right along. Mr. Matt Hunter, manager, reports that the work is progressing satisfactorily. He has a large force of men at work and two shafts are being sunk.

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING.

The regular meeting of the municipal council was held on Monday, Feb. 26. Present Mayor McCarthy, Councilors Elkins & Deacon, Cameron and Hudson.

A number of communications were received and read.

Cameron Deacon That the mayor

and clerk be authorized to sign on behalf of the corporation the petition re Division Court as presented by P. H. Clark.

The fire, water and light committee submitted a report recommending that W. Robinson be re-engaged for the Absent-minded Beggar, and violin. A collection of \$80 was taken up. Several large baskets of parcels contributed by the ladies were then brought forward, and Mr. Deacon who made a first-class auctioneer, got to work. The bidding was very animated, and the excitement waxed, in tense as the mysterious parcels might contain anything from a toy whale to a handsome souvenir, were disposed to the highest bidder. The supper was partaken of after which the guests adjourned to the reception room and listened to patriotic songs by Messrs. Rogers, Gurnee, Godwin and Twyfelter Co. to the echo of the old hymns.

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Keewatin reduction works for a test run. He is much pleased so far with the results obtained and may soon open up on a much larger scale.

THE BANK OF OTTAWA

Head Office, Ottawa, Canada.

Capital Subscribed, \$1,994,900

Capital Paid Up, 1,731,080

Rest, \$1,403,310

Transacts a general Banking Business

Special attention given to collections.

Rat Portage Branch,

F. R. GODWIN, Manager.

Popular Wants.

TO LET—4 room house near corner of Mining and Fifth streets, to rent at \$8 per month. Apply Sheriff Carpenter, Court House, Rat Portage.

TO LET—On May 1st, Store and dwelling over, now occupied by Mr. Allan Young of the Lake of the Woods Clothing Store. Apply to C. W. Chadwick.

LOST—Between Keewatin and Rat Portage, a brown leather music roll containing a number of songs. Finder please notify C. H. Carpenter at the Court House, Rat Portage.

FOR SALE or exchange a good

horse, apply to Robt. Graham, blacksmith, Fort street, Rat Portage.

HOUSE TO LET—Small house on Fifth street, with lot. Lot has 100 feet frontage. Apply J. A. McLeod, Boarding car, C.P.R. April 28th.

WANTED—One hundred cords of wood hauled from the bush to the Scovil and Gough blocks, distance three and one-half miles. G. W. Chadwick.

TO RENT—House containing four bedrooms, parlor, dining-room and kitchen, etc., with furnace, lately occupied by Jas. Johnson. Apply to Matt Brown.

FOR SALE The following Organs

in good order: 1. Kahn Organ, 5 octaves, Canopy top, slightly used, \$15.00; Lester Organ, 5 octaves, Canopy top, slightly used, \$10.00; 1. Clough & Warren Small Organ, \$20.00; 1. McMichael & Co. Canopy top, \$15.00, also a second order, 1. Mendelsohn Upright Piano, 5 octaves at \$15.00. The Mason & Risch Piano Co., Main St., Rat Portage.

INSTRUCTIONS.

SHORTHAND taught by late noted student James Quinn of Custer's Business College, London, England, £100 per class, separately commencing March 1st. Apply for terms, etc., to

STENOGRAPIER,
C. H. GUNN,
Court House, Rat Portage.

The Big Sale

The talk of the town,
and no wonder never before were such Bargains given in the town.

We expect this month to be the busiest month in the year. This sale has only commenced and big parcels are going out daily.

If you have not been in yet, don't delay.

Rodgers & Ray.

Next Drewry's, Main street.

The Mason and Risch Piano Co.

IMPORTERS AND EXPORTERS

PIANOS
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TORONTO

Branch Warerooms, Rat Portage.

EVERYTHING IN MUSIC.

Cabbage

A nice let in today and
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Tom C. Gurnee, Fresh
Mackerel, Lake Superior Trout, and Herring,
White Fish, Timm

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Phillips and Hooper opened with a dash and the latter shot which was stopped by Lindsay and Breen relieved. Out of the Rat Portage forwards got a nasty blow on the nose which delayed the game some 6 minutes. A few minutes after restarting McGinnis scored the first goal with a fine unassisted shot.

The Winnipegs made several attempts to score but the visitors were quite alert and kept them well in check. Then Breen came out with several swell dashes and Fraser and Dool were relegated and after 7 minutes Dool of Belvidere added another.

Opposing around the Rat Portage house was not long idle. For half an hour took the puck down and again within an ace of being stopped by Lindsay after he passed to McGinnis just another for the visitors minutes later.

From the face of Breen seemed and for his opponents good but was the Johnson who checked him in 10 minutes from the start. After a few minutes S. Dool scored another few minutes later and the play was most exciting when the Indian at last got through the Winnipegs and had a long string of Rat Portage players.

Winnipeg Vs. Rat Portage.

Yesterday night the Winnipeg Portage teams will play in the Victoria rink. The competition will be hard and the game will be one as our boys by winning will tie with the Winnipegs for first place. The game was to take place Monday, but in quest of the Winnipeg boys' game was changed to Saturday night. As this is the last league match, it is likely that the attendance will be large. All the people interested and expect to see a lively make a hard struggle to see who the composition of the teams will be.

The Boulder Mine.

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Championship Cups.

Mr. Wilson, the enterprising manager of the Victoria rink, has provided

parcels contributed by the guests were then brought forward, and Mr. Dean, whom had a first-class auctioneer, got to work. Thibodding was very anxious and the excitement waxed intense as the mysterious parcels might contain anything from a toy whistle to a handsome souvenir, were disposed to the highest bidder. The supper was partaken of after which the guests adjourned to the reception rooms and adjourned to patriotic songs by Messrs. Rogers, Gammie, Oldwin and Mr. Carpenter. Miss Clarkwick gave entertainment, and the evening included with remarks from Rev. N. N. and Rochester. The proceeds totalled \$218, and Mrs. Cameron is to be congratulated on the success attending her efforts.

A thing of beauty is joy to powers, and all the beauties that adorn humanity, there is nothing like a fine head of hair. The surest way of obtaining that is by the use of LUBY'S Parisian Hair Rejuvenator. At all druggists, 50¢ a bottle.

The Play House.

It is with pleasure the management of the opera house announce the return of the Bijou Comedy Company next week of March 12th. Since their last appearance here this talented company have been meeting with great success wherever they have appeared. The opening play here will be "The Korky Gow," a beautiful Irish comedy drama, made famous by Joe Murphy, the talented Irish comedian. It tells a pretty story in an interest and way, and abounds in sparkling dialogue, bright Irish comedy and droll situations. Two rehearsals are used in this production, and this will be quite a novelty for Rat Portage's playgoers.

GAUDAUR WINS.

The President's Prize goes to Champion Gaudaur.

Yesterday afternoon Kennedy's four played havoc in the ranks of Hudson's rink so that gave Hudson four losses. Gaudaur has only three to be wins the curling stones presented by the president.

All interest is now centered on the

Patron and Patroness' competition. The Patron's prize is a handsome pair of stones, on exhibition in G. W. Smith's windows, while that of the Patroness, Mrs. Carmichael, is a handsome gold locket which is in D. T. Ferguson's window.

The green-curlers competition is now being played off by Larkins and Schwartz. The prize for this is a cup presented by Mr. Neads, and it may be seen in G. M. Riach's window.

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to continue as per terms of agreement made when first engaged. "It was also recommended that the mayor and clerk be authorized to sign the petition to the legislative assembly for amendment to the council bill." The report was received and adopted.

The finance committee submitted its report and recommended payment of a number of accounts; and also recommended that the offer of Remington Typewriter Co. to exchange the old for new typewriter be accepted. They also recommended that no rebate or exemption be made to Mr. Louis Hill for his opera house taxes as requested by Langford & Moran on his behalf. They also could not recommend the granting of any privilege or allowance to R. J. Parrott or Thos. Teevins on taxes.

On motion of Couns. Edmonson and Deacon the report of the finance committee was adopted.

The special committee appointed to consider the account and claim of the Rat Portage Brick Co., submitted their report stating that they could not recommend payment of the claim. The report was adopted.

A committee consisting of Deacon, Hudson and Cameron was appointed to meet the water commissioners to effect a mutually advantageous arrangement regarding the services of Mr. H. R. Woodley and also a water service to the hospital and Tunnel Island residents and report at next meeting of council.

The clerk was instructed to advise and take such other steps as required in connection with sewer petition for R. E. Dowsett and others.

The time of returning collector's roll was extended to April 1.

Deacon—Cameron—Resolved that whereas, in the opinion of the council, the time has arrived when it is the duty of every British subject to assist in the great scheme of the defence of the Empire, and

Whereas, there is in this country a large body of patriotic young men who are ready and willing to undergo the training to fit them to take their place in the ranks of the defenders of the empire;

Be it resolved that this council do respectfully request the department of militia and defence to authorize the formation of a militia battalion at the Town of Rat Portage.

And this council do authorize His Worship the mayor who is proceeding to Ottawa to use all necessary means to obtain such authority.

And we call upon the honorable member for Algoma in the House of Commons to render such assistance as is in his power to that end.

Moved by Coun. Edmonson, sec. by Coun. Hudson, that Crans, Deacon, Edmonson and Cameron be a committee to town donation to Canadian contingent fund and private donation to said fund, also re-payment of telegraphic despatches and report at next meeting.

The clerk was authorized to order copies of Municipal Works for councillors, the mayor and the clerk.

The by-law to provide for borrowing \$25,000 in promissory notes from the Imperial Bank was read a first time. The council then adjourned.

Eldorado Mine.

Mr. Gatensbury, returned yesterday from a visit to the Eldorado mine on Eagle Lake. He has a force of men sinking on a 10-foot vein and the show-ing so far obtained is very good. It is his intention to take a few tons to the

Cd. Main St., Rat Portage.

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SHORTHAND taught by Internat'l. Student James Quinn of Cusack's Business College, London, England, either in class or separately, commencing March 16th. Apply for terms, etc.

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Solicitor for the Applicants.

NOTICE.

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given of the meetings of the Court of Revision at the Town Hall, Rat Portage, on Tuesday the Thirteenth day of March A.D. 1900, at the hour of 7.30 o'clock p.m., for the hearing of appeals pursuant to the Statute in the case of the訴 of the Municipality of the Town of Rat Portage for the completion of the construction of a system of water works therein; a by-Law to raise the sum of Sixty-five Thousand Dollars for that purpose, and the completion of the construction of a system of water works in the said Municipality to be levied on all the rateable property in the Centre, North and South wards of the said Municipality.

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D. H. CURRIE,
Town Clerk.

NOTICE.

ALL Petitions for Local Improvements, other than Sidewalks, must be filed in Clerk's office, Rat Portage, in order to receive consideration. Any Petitions later than this date will not be acted on by this year's Council.

Form of Petition and other information can be had by applying to

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WANTED: A MILLION HEARTS.

All ye who've covetous hearts to rent or sell,
Come bring them unto me. I'll pay ye well,
Want them longer, I want 'em a deep and strong,
Want them broad and coming to song.

Bring me no hearts to hold the mean or base;
Bring me no heart that holds of sly a trap,
Bring me no heart that's rank'd with jealous fears
For one that's been saturate with tears.

But good, clean, honest, empy hearts I ask;
For those that smile, yet masking secrets mask;
Not those that harbor notions poor and small,
But pure and sweet and true—I'll take 'em all.

And hurry too. I want them now, today!
This very minute send them on their way,

For ah, I'll not tell you, but Phyllis knows,
John Kendrick Bangs in Woman's Home Companion.

IN THE HOTEL OFFICE.**A Singular Story of a Man Who Met One Who Had Known Him Years Before.**

I was a hotel clerk who told the this.
If you make friends with a hotel clerk
you will generally find him ready to
tell you stories, and sometimes the stories
are good.

The hotel is a New York one and not
one of those particularly gilded, plate-
glossed and velvetty piles where everything
seems to be for splendor and
nothing for comfort. One great at-
traction about the house is its wide,
airy hall, which is always warm in
winter and always cool in summer.

You will find sitting and sprawling
about the long, broad lounges and the big
chairs, dozens of men who are not
registered at the hotel, nor ever have
been, nor have even invested in a small
glass of beer at the bar' of the adjoining
cafe.

One day in particular, in the month of
February, was a great harvest time
for that hotel hall. Every seat was ne-
glected, and the clerk shrewdly guessed
that the big, driving snow that had
been filling up all the chinks of the
window frames had much to do with
the size of the gathering about the
heaters. Presently a man in a some-
what wornout overcoat entered and be-
gan kicking snow from his feet and
showering it from every part of his
person.

The clerk, who had nothing else in
particular to do just at that moment,
said that the large number of idlers
who crowded the benches rather dis-
concerted him. In fact, the clerk no-
ticed that the last comer was looking
decidedly annoyed and guessed that
his annoyance proceeded from the ex-
plained fact that there was no seat for
him. He would have to loaf standing or
else go into the cafe and let a waiter
come and ask him what he would take,
which would be inconvenient in the
absence of the wherewithal to pay.

The newcomer looked at him and
seemed to take a sudden resolution, as
if he had made up his mind that that
clerk ought to be satisfied of his having
some particular business in there.

"Perhaps you'll give me some idea as to
what your business may be with me."

"My business? Oh, yes. Well, you
see, Americans are always anxious
to learn the views of prominent Cana-
diens."

"About what?"
"Oh, about—about, um, extinction, you
know."

"I see. Well, why don't you go and
ask Mr. James Scott Muirhead or some
of those other representative Cana-
diens who are staying here. Why do
you pitch on me? I suppose you haven't
been a reporter for very long—haven't
had much experience in the business."

"No," said the other man eagerly.
"That's it. I haven't had much experi-
ence. I understand you were repre-
sentative Canadian."

"You did, eh?" the world young man
laughed. Then, looking his visitor
straight in the face, he said, "What
paper do you happen to represent,
Mr. —?"

"Even-er-Jones."

"Oh, you are Mr. Jones of the—what
paper did you say?"

"I didn't say. I present quite a lot
of papers. It's a sort of trust, you
know."

"I see. A news agency—New York
papers?"

"Oh, no; western papers chiefly."

The clerk saw that the conversa-
tion went on Rotanontanas Jones, got
more and more nervous, while the Ca-
nadian seemed to be more and more
thoughtfully interested in the inter-
view.

On inquiring that his visitor represent-
ed "western papers chiefly," Farquhar-
son paused and seemed to consider.
Then he suddenly said, "Well, Mr.
Brown—By the way, Mr. Brown,
haven't we met before?"

At that the representative of western
papers gave a start and, staring hard
for one moment at Farquharson, said,
with every appearance of embarrass-
ment, "I don't think so. I'm afraid I
mustn't detain you any longer."

And with that he turned and fled out
into the snowy streets.

Farquharson went up to the clerk
and, leaning against the desk, said,
"Did you ever see that man before?"

"Never that I know of," said the
clerk. "Of course a spot many men
pass in and out of here every day."

"Well, then," said the man from Or-
lando, "let me give you a pointer about
him. Years ago when I was a boy in
Detroit, I worked in a big gloving
store, and that man—the real name is
Bounderby, though his card says Rob-
inson," and he also answers to Jones
and Brown—that man Bounderby was
bookkeeper. He got into trouble about
his accounts and skipped out west.
Did he see my name on the register?"

"No," said the clerk. "He was jour-
ning in here and came and asked for the
first name he could think of. I sup-
pose just as an excuse to stand about
and get warm. They do that some-
times—an old trick."

"Yes, and it's funny he should have
thought of my name, I must say, when
he had evidently forgotten all about
me. Thought I was a Canadian, even.
I don't even live in Canada, you know;

"PULL" IN CENTRAL AMERICA.**If Works There Just as Well as In Other Countries.**

"When I first began banana planting in Central America," said a resident of that part of the world who frequently visits New Orleans, "I was greatly annoyed by a neighbor who made a business of luring away my laborers. He was a cantankerous old native who didn't like a gringo, and as the jefe politico, or magistrate, of the nearest town sided with him and shared his views I was in a fair way of being broken up in business. About that time I had occasion to make a trip to the capital, and while there I ran across a young officer whom I had met the year before during Mardi Gras in New Orleans. He was a first rate fellow, and I had done my best on that occasion to make him enjoy his stay, but the incident had passed almost entirely out of my mind. He remembered it, however, and greeted me like a long lost brother, remarking meditatively that he was now first secretary to his excellency the minister of war. In the course of our talk I told him of my troubles on the plantation and he asked me a few casual questions about the local magistrate.

"Next week I returned, and when I rode into town on the way to my place I was amazed to see the jefe politico come tearing out of his house, bareheaded, and salute me like a prince of the blood. He begged me to dismiss and honor his poor abode with my presence, that we might discuss the outrages that had been heaped upon me by my villainous neighbor. I was dazed by such a change in his usually insulting demeanor and told him not to worry about the matter, that I would have a talk with the planter next day, and no doubt we could come to an understanding. 'Impossible, señor,' exclaimed the jefe. 'The wretch is now in prison, incomprendido!'

"Then I began to understand. It seemed that my Mardi Gras chum, the attache, had sent a redhot letter by special courier, and the old jefe scared half out of his wits, had immediately arrested his friend and thrown him into a dungeon. I laughed so that I nearly fell off my horse and ordered him to release the prisoner at once. After that I was treated with the most distinguished consideration by everybody in the department, and I really got a gay start in Central America to the end of the I east up in the water in New Orleans. The Latin republics are all right as places of residence if you only stay in 'em." New Orleans Times Democrat.

THE LIFE INSURANCE CURE.**Result of a Dying Bachelor's Plan For a Novel Funeral.**

"I don't know that life insurance is a cure for disease," said the retired life insurance solicitor, but I know of an instance when it does look that way. In the town where I took up business was a bachelor of about 50 years, who was quite alone in the world and had some years before taken out a \$5,000 policy on himself for the benefit of a maiden sister, who had died a year before the events of this story. He kept his policy going, however, because it was a good way to save money, and one day he was taken down with some kind of fever. He grew worse day after day, until one day the doctor told him that he would in all likelihood be dead within the next 24 hours.

This suggested his life insurance money, all he had to leave, and he immediately began to talk with the doctor on the subject. "Can't you add a clause to the

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THE PARIS SHOW.

The Paris exposition catalogue will contain 100,000 names.

The parks of Milwaukee will be part of the exhibit of that city at the Paris exposition. A series of photographic views of the public parks of that city will be shown.

It took a bid of 275,000 francs to secure the privilege of letting out seats for the Paris exposition of 1900. For the 1889 exhibition the successful bid for the monopoly was 33,000 francs.

Governor Mount of Indiana is personally supervising an elaborate exhibit for his state at the Paris exposition. One of the features of this will be a series of large photographs to show the progress of the "good roads" movement in Indiana, where there are now 50,000 miles of graded and gravelled highway.

HOUSEHOLD HINTS.

Sink flannels in cold borax water. If very soiled, make a slight bristle. Soak up and down and rinse well. They must never be rubbed.

Scrubbing brushes should never be allowed to soak in water, either hot or cold. Shake them when brushed with and stand them in the air to dry.

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R. H. L. M. Miner, proprietor, late of Rat Portage, Minn.

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The newcomer looked at him and seemed to take a sudden resolution, as if he had made up his mind that that clerk ought to be satisfied of his having some particular business in there.

"Having got his hat and his discolored overcoat finally clear of snow, he walked up to the desk boldly and asked, 'Is Mr. Farquharson stopping here?'

"Which Mr. Farquharson, sir? What is his name?"

"Er—um—er—Ronald—Ronald Farquharson."

"Where does he register from?" the clerk asked, solemnly looking at the register.

"From—er—Ottawa."

"Ronald Farquharson, Ottawa, Canada," the clerk repeated, keeping his finger on one spot on the page of the register. "Do you wish to see Mr. Farquharson? I don't know whether he's in. Yes; his key is here. Will you send up your card, sir?"

The clerk had some little difficulty in keeping his face straight while he made these routine inquiries of the visitor, for the visitor's eyes seemed about to pop out of his head. He opened his mouth once or twice before speaking. "Well—or yes—that-is—"

"Ring!" the bell sounded, and a porter came forward to take the visitors card.

"I haven't a card with me," said the man who had come through the snow-storm to see Mr. Ronald Farquharson of Ottawa, Canada.

A blank card was produced, and the visitor, with some evident hesitation, wrote on it "John Henry Robinson." The bellboy took the card away on a silver waiter, and John Henry walked up and down, seeming, as the clerk thought, rather nervous.

Presently a florid young man in brown tweeds came from the passage on one side of the clerk's desk. The young man was carrying a card in his hand and seemed puzzled.

"Where is this person?" he said, showing the card to the clerk.

"Mr. Robinson, sir? There he is, walking toward the door now. His back is turned."

"Did he say he knew me?"

"He asked for Mr. Ronald Farquharson, Ottawa, Canada."

"Got my whole name all right?"

"Yes; he had it as far as you have."

"That's funny," said Mr. Ronald Farquharson. "I have known a good many sons in my time, but I never saw that any of them lived in New York. I beg your pardon, sir," he added, turning to the visitor, who was seated at the desk. "I think this is a card. You have the advantage of it."

"Yes," said the man in the frayed coat, laughing a rather forced laugh. "You're Mr. Ronald Farquharson, Ottawa—Ottawa, Canada. I see that you were in New York, you know."

"It's odd," said the Canadian. "I've got here a few hours ago."

"That's right. Going to make a long stay?"

"Well, before I tell you about that

sister, who had died a year before the events of this story. He kept his policy going, however, because it was a good way to save money, and one day he was taken down with some kind of fever. He grew worse day after day, until one day the doctor told him that he would in all likelihood be dead within the next 24 hours.

"Yes, but it's funny he should have thought of my name, wasn't it, when he had evidently forgotten all about me. Thought I was a Canadian even. I don't even live in Canada, you know; only go there now and again on business. And how do you account for his happening to connect my name with Ottawa? He only knew me slightly before he stole that money and skipped. But the funniest thing about it all is that now I can tell his old mother, whom I happen to know slightly in Detroit, that her son is alive and well. That's what I'm going to do when I get back."

"And yet," the clerk remarked when he told me the story, "some people say there is no Providence—Philadelphia Item."

A Frightful Fate.
As we put to sea, says Captain Youngusband in his book on Japan, "we passed a sunken steamer, the Anglia, and afterward heard the ghastly story of her loss. She touched a sand bank, headed over and capsized in a few seconds, but the water was not deep, and one side of her remained above. The majority of the passengers and crew got off in boats or on floating spars, but a few were caught below in her cabins."

"We have often read of martyrs of old, who were cast to lions in the sea and left to drown by leashed with the rising tide. Imagine, then, the fate of these poor fellows. The portholes were just large enough for a man to put his head through, but no more. The ship was of iron, and to enlarge the holes in the time available was an impossibility, though an attempt was made with cold chisel. The boats from another ship came alongside and handed food and drink to the doomed men and gave them such encouragement as was possible."

"But the tide rose in by inch, and at last the time arrived when it seemed better for all that the boats should leave, for to remain was but to prolong the agony on both sides. Some of the imprisoned cursed and foamed at the mouth with anguish. Some prayed. Some, in the cold sweat of despair, sought the boats' crews to shoot them ere they left. Sadly and silently the boats slipped away. The tide rose, and the last shrieks of the dying men sank into the sigh of the rising waves."

He Was His Own Dentist.
A Foxcraft man who was suffering from a toothache while seven miles from a dentist, attempted to the aching molar himself by tying a string around it, fastening the other end of the line to a hook in the post of the plazza and sitting down quickly. This reminds a Bath man of a neighbor of his who always extracted his own teeth. If an upper one, he tied a string around it with a heavy weight at the other end of the line, mounted to the haymow and dropped the stone. If a lower tooth was the one aching, he stood on the floor and threw the weight up over a door.—*Lewisburg (W. Va.) Journal*.

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"That's right. Going to make a long stay?"

"Well, before I tell you about that

is annoyance proceeded from the evident fact that there was no seat for him. He would have to loaf standing or go into the cafe and let a waiter come and ask him what he would take, which would be inconvenient in the absence of the wherewithal to pay.

Sohak flannels in cold borax water. If very soiled, make a slight lather. Soak up and down and rinse well. They must never be rubbed.

Scribbling brushes should never be allowed to soak in water, either hot or cold. Shake them when finished with and stand them in the air to dry.

Shoes that are not in use need to be aired and cleaned once in a fortnight at least, or they will not wear as long as if they had been worn each day.

A broom that is plunged into boiling suds once a week will become tough, so that it will last much longer, will not cut a carpet and will always sweep like a new broom.

MUNICIPAL MATTERS.

Lansing, Mich., has a driveway 83 feet in width.

Philadelphia is to have a labor temple to cost not less than \$100,000.

Indianapolis has 3,500 dogs licensed and 1,500 unlicensed and still has no public place where one of them can get a drink of water.

New York has a school in connection with the fire department where firemen are taught to scale buildings, catch dumbbells and handle furniture.

Hopeless.
Burton—It's no use. I've tried to make up with Person, but it is evident that he is determined never to have anything more to do with me.

Cottle—But you don't go at him in the right way perhaps.

Burton—I praised his baby, and he didn't say a word in response.—Boston Transcript.

Why the Barber Forgot.
Barber—That's strange. You say you have been here before. I don't seem to remember your face.

Victim—Probably not. You see, it has all heated up now.—Melbourne Times.

Making Things Worse.
When a man gets nervous prostration, all his friends remind him how they warned him years ago.—Chicago Record.

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THE SEVEN AGES OF WOMAN.

At first the infant's cap, soft, warm and white, with strings well mouthed and maulled, in sorry plight.

The giddy schoolgirl's hat, a waif and stray, the only thing that hinders not her play.

The building maiden's hat, perky, smart or trim, according to "sweet sixteen" mood or whim.

Braids of hair, the bridal wreath and veil, which marks life's great event and turns the head.

The new-dressed matron's "dream," by Worth de Stael, which pays for, sighs and looks resigned.

The well-planned bonnet of the chaperon, which may take many forms from her alone.

Later, the widow's ruche and weeds, the old dame's crumpled ribbon lace or bangles.

Or the widow in New York, Jan.

A KISS, A WORD.

A Story of a Woman Who Could Not Keep a Secret and How She Paid the Penalty.

BY MAURUS JOKAI.

When the Princess Alexandra Serboff was presented at the luxurious court of Catherine II, two men had the most influence in the empire. Gorb was Gregory Alexandrovitch Potemkin, the mighty minister, the other Prince Monoff, the handsome favorite of the empress.

The gossiping world said that the pretty eyes of the favorite had just as much share in governing the land of all Russia as the great brain of the famous statesman.

The quick eye of Prince Monoff noticed at once the extraordinary beauty of the new court lady, and of course it was only natural that so wide awake a statesman as Potemkin, whose less pretty but nevertheless watchful eyes were always open, couldn't help seeing and admiring.

"Bastard tell in love with the young princess and in the ensuing ardent but secret struggle for her love the czarina's favorite, Monoff, was finally the more successful. He became the dear, beloved of the princess, and the czarina, knowing that he was a man of more, withdrew him from his diplomatic service.

Monoff fell in love with the young princess and in the ensuing ardent but secret struggle for her love the czarina's favorite, Monoff, now became the man who was destined to be favorite to many.

"It was taken by the czarina, which was probably knowing that the young princess was not only exceptionally good-looking but also unusually nice. They never took place with great ceremony or ceremony. The young pair were indeed the easiest people to get along with the most valuable part of the czarina. It was a very simple and direct relationship.

the Princess Monoff wears! What did?"

The czarina recognized at once her gift to her former lover, but never the less melancholy said:

"Yes, it is a fine stone. It must be very valuable."

The princess tells everybody that it was given to her husband for a kiss, but she gave two for it.

After the court ball, in the early morning, Prince and Princess Monoff retired, giving orders to their attendants not to disturb them until 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

It happened, however, that hardly one hour after they were ruler awoke, by somebody who executed five tattoo on their bedroom door.

"Who is that? Who dares waken me indignantly from their bedchamber the sleepy prince."

"His excellency the chief of police wishes to pay his respects."

In Russia every door must open before this "sesame" and in the next minute Prince Monoff appeared in the half opened door.

The chief of police was polite,

"I must beg your pardon a thousand times, your excellency, but I must distract you at this unseemly hour. I regard it very much, but duty compels me to do it. My most gracious czarina has bid me to deliver to you this order and also to carry it out personally and without delay. Knowing good manners, I do not wish to intrude into the sleeping apartment of a lady, and I have brought with me lady attendants to help me in executing it. I must beg your kind indulgence to allow these ladies to enter."

Prince Monoff threw a troubled look in the direction of the "lady attendants," who were lined up neatly in the hall. They were all six feet high, very well built "bladies." They were all erect, although a little negligently dressed. They were very large broad hats with large feathers, and their faces were thickly veiled. On their large hands the fine suede gloves nearly bloused. But the most extraordinary thing was that instead of a fan every "lady" had a rod of iron. In her hand.

The chief of police delivered his order to the prince. It was a sweet little perfumed, rose colored billet doux containing these words:

"Some kiss-one word, then another - hundred rods."

Monoff paled. The chief of police politely withdrew, and the "ladies" advanced in orderly steps. Two of them took the arms of Monoff, and advanced into the bedchamber and closed the door.

What kind of a ceremony they performed we don't know positively, but one thing is certain, that when they emerged again from the sanctum of the princely pair their rods were used to a great degree.

The chief of police took polite leave of the prince, and the "bladies" arranged themselves in line again and stood away in a nice soldierly manner. Before leaving the chief of police passed the prince that all those "bladies" were selected especially for the merit, their knowledge how to keep a secret. That, in spite of his insistence, the czarina had chosen to make no use of the services of the czarina.



There are many thousands of wise women in this country who, when they found that they were suffering from weakness or disease of their distinctly womanly peculiarisms, promptly went to a learned and skillful physician, with a world-wide reputation, instead of trusting their cases to some obscure physician with but limited practice and experience. There are many reasons why a wise woman follows this course. The chances are that an obscure physician of small practice will not diagnose troubles of this nature properly. If he does, he will insist on the operation, examination, and local treatment from which every sensitive, modest woman shrinks.

The specialist referred to is Dr. R. V. Pierce, for thirty years chief consulting physician to the Invalid Hotel and Surgical Institute at Buffalo, N. Y. Thirty years ago he discovered a wonderful medicine for diseases peculiar to women, that may be used effectively in the privacy of the home, and does away with all necessity for examinations and local treatment. This medicine is known as Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. It acts directly on the delicate and important organs concerned in wifehood and motherhood. It makes them strong, healthy and vigorous. It relieves inflammation, heals ulceration, soothes pain and tones and builds up the nerves. Taken during the period of prospective maternity, it banishes the usual discomforts and makes baby's coming easy and almost painless. It insures the little new-comer's health. It insures an ample supply of nourishment. Over ninety thousand women have testified to its marvelous merits. Medicine dealers sell it.

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He Sized 'Em Up.

A Georgia boy's composition on "The Lawmakers of Our Country" reads as follows:

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In Society.

WEDDING. - Mr. and Mrs. John C. Boyce, of this city, were married Saturday evening, Feb. 25, at the First Congregational Church.

Mr. Boyce is a son of Mr. and Mrs. John C. Boyce, of this city.

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x Local Interest

The secretary of the Royal Jubilee Hospital acknowledges with thanks the receipt of \$10, donation from Mr. J. W. Hamble.

The members of the painting class

the evening. A big bonfire was made on the lake and a torchlight procession was formed to the music of the Yerman band, which was certainly awe inspiring. The people were very enthusiastic and they have reason to be, as our Canadian boys have certainly done their share in bringing about the result.

Mr. Dean, of the Hamilton Powder Co., is moving into the office on Main street lately occupied by Mr. Currie.

Lieut. Charles J. Armstrong, who was wounded in the charge on Cronje's army, is a cousin of Mr. J. M. Parsons, our postmaster. He was a member of the Montreal company.

You are Talked About

Mrs. Henesey, wife of Captain J. H. Henesey, is seriously ill.

Mrs. W. J. Perrin returned from her visit in Winnipeg Saturday.

Mrs. D. G. Mathias returned from a visit to her parents in Winnipeg Monday night.

His Honor Judge Chappie was appointed D. G. M. W. of the Superior District at the recent grand lodge meeting of the A.O.U.W. of Ontario.

Dr. Macdonell was called east Friday evening by telegram announcing the serious illness of his brother near Glengarry.

Geo. A. Graham spent a few days in town this week.

Major McCarthy received his medal for services rendered his country, but unfortunately it bore the wrong date—1870—instead of 1896.

Harold Macdonn was probably not in the charge of the Canadians on Cronje's forces, as he being with a Maxim gun, therefore would be somewhat in the rear.

Mr. Geo. J. Ross returned this week from his eastern trip.

Miss County Sharpe entertained a number of her little friends at a birth day party last Saturday. The children enjoyed themselves very much.

Mrs. Bertrand, of Winnipeg, is visiting her uncle Mr. Jas. Waitt.

Mr. A. McKenzie returned Wednesday from his sojourn in Winnipeg.

Mr. Maiville, of the Regina mine, is in town this week.

Wilkie Brown, who represents the Cleveland Atlantic Oil Co., was in town this week.

Geo. A. Graham has returned from Fort William.

Captain E. W. Brydges has returned from his eastern trip.

Mr. Bob Davis left this morning to take charge of the tailoring department of Ferguson & Co., at Brandon. Before he left Mr. Davis was presented by a number of his friends with a

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Moody's Remarkable Life.

We have received a book of much importance at the present time from the Poole Publishing Co., Toronto, "The Life of D. L. Moody." The book is attractive and is well printed on good white paper. Its circulation will probably be very large, as Mr. Moody had a powerful influence in Canada. We have here quite as well as across the line. The book is published at 25c in heavy paper cover, or 50c bound in cloth, is for sale at all news stores, or will be sent postpaid by the publisher on receipt of price.

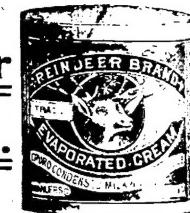
Parlor Concert.

Those who were so fortunate as to be present Tuesday night at the residence of Mrs. G. P. Phillips enjoyed a splendid entertainment. The numbers were all good and the efforts of the

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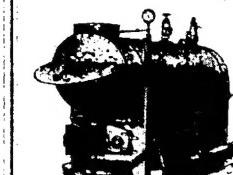
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Local Interest

The secretary of the Royal Jubilee Hospital acknowledges with thanks the receipt of \$10, donation from Mr. J. W. Humble.

The members of the painting class met Monday and organized themselves into an art club. Mrs. Langford was made president, Miss Hockley secretary and Mrs. Scovil treasurer.

Three wagons loaded with machinery left yesterday for the Gold Panner mine.

The Bijou Opera Company will open a return engagement at the opera house in "The Kerty Gow," on March 12th.

A ladies' court of the A. O. F. is to be established here shortly.

R. Thompson, secretary of the Royal Jubilee hospital, makes the following statement for the week ending Feb. 24: Under treatment Feb. 18, 11; admitted during week, 3; discharged, 3; deaths, 1.

An At Home under the auspices of the Canadian Order of Foresters will be held in the Walsh & McVeigh Hall Matheson St., Thursday evening next, Feb. 8. All Foresters and their friends are invited. An interesting program is being prepared.

The regular business meeting of the W.C.T.U. will be held in the Oldfields Hall, on Monday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock.

The Sisters of St. Joseph's Academy beg to return a hearty vote of thanks to all kind friends who by their presence at the little entertainment contributed toward making it a success. Special thanks are tendered to Mrs. Rogers, Mrs. Sigurdson, Mr. Ingram and Mr. Gilbert and son for their kind services.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Campbell entertained a number of young people at their home Thursday night.

Word was received Tuesday of the surrender of Cronje, and accordingly the mayor declared Wednesday a public holiday. The people celebrated in

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